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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the above-mentioned application's filing fees, please amend the claims as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

- ✓ Claim 4, line 1, delete "or 3".
- ✓ Claim 5, line 1, delete "to 4".
- ✓ Claim 6, line 1, delete "any of claims 2 to 5" and replace with -- claim 2 --.
- ✓ Claim 9, lines 2 and 3, delete "claims 2 to 4" and replace with -- claim 2 --.
- ✓ Claim 10, line 2, delete "of claim 6" and replace with -- of containing DNA encoding said protein --.
- ✓ Claim 11, line 1, delete "claims 6 or 7" and replace with -- claim 7 --.
- ✓ Claim 15, line 1, delete "claims 2 to 5" and replace with -- claim 2 --.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

P.1, add this sentence as the first sentence: "This application is a continuation of USSN 09/159,027 filed September 23, 1998, now _____, which was a continuation of USSN 08/703,048, filed 01.11.96 now abandoned, from PCT National filing of PCT/EP95/01494 filed